

**2015 BOARD OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (BVR)
NOMINATION FORM**

(If additional space is needed, attach one additional page)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Disability: _____ Yes _____ No Occupation: _____

Email: _____

Current/Former Consumer of Vocational Rehabilitation Services _____ Yes _____ No

Biographical Sketch: _____

Previous Board, Council or Community Advocacy Experience: _____

Nominated By: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Feel free to duplicate this form
Please Return by Wednesday, March 25th
Board of Vocational Rehabilitation
221 South Central Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Board of Vocational Rehabilitation (Board) Member

Job Description

BOARD MEMBER'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ✓ Attend and actively participate in Board meetings and activities.
- ✓ Actively work on at least one Board committee.
- ✓ Serve as an advocate for all persons with disabilities needing vocational rehabilitation services.
- ✓ Advise the Department of Human Services on the employment needs of persons with disabilities.
- ✓ Provide public comment on South Dakota's State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation and Supported Employment services and rules or policies concerning the vocational rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
- ✓ Advise the Division of Rehabilitation Services on program policy and procedure for the distribution of funds for vocational rehabilitation.
- ✓ Assist the Department of Human Services in evaluating program effectiveness and provide information for state and federal policy makers.
- ✓ Facilitate the development of new vocational rehabilitation leaders within the state.
- ✓ Seek out and listen to the ideas, concerns and recommendations of other citizens concerning vocational rehabilitation services.

AUTHORITY:

A Board member has only that authority granted him or her by federal or state statute or by the entire Board body through specific resolution.

VALUES DESIRED:

- ✓ Commitment to consumer control, meaning that people with disabilities should have control over their lives and decision-making.
- ✓ Belief in the principle of equal access and equal opportunity.
- ✓ Commitment to the full inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of society, including employment.
- ✓ Possession of honesty, integrity and respect for the values of others.
- ✓ Possession of a strong personal code of ethics, including maintaining confidentiality and avoiding conflict of interest and self-dealing.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ✓ Knowledge of teamwork.
- ✓ Experience with vocational rehabilitation, business or disability advocacy groups linked with vocational rehabilitation services.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Board staff, at 945-2207 (Pierre) or 1-800-210-0143 (statewide toll free), by writing them at Board of Vocational Rehabilitation; 221 South Central Avenue; Pierre, SD 57501, or by emailing colettew@sd-ccd.org.

